

GOOD NEWS FOR DEBTORS.

Senate Passes a Bill to Prevent Harsh Proceedings.

WAS FRAMED BY NELSON.

Measure Provides for Both Voluntary and Involuntary Bankruptcy.

Washington, April 22.—The Senate to-day passed the substitute bankruptcy bill, which was framed by Senator Nelson, of Minnesota. It is much briefer and simpler than the bill reported from the Judiciary Committee and known as the Torrey bill. The measure was framed with a view to avoid harsh proceedings against debtors.

The bill, which was passed by a vote of 49 to 8, provides that any debtor other than a corporation owing \$200 or more, who is unable to pay his debts, may file his petition in the District Court of the United States for the district or division thereof in which he resides, asking for a discharge from his debts, and offering to surrender all his property for the payment of his debts, except such as is exempt by the law of his domicile from execution and liability for debts.

Must Surrender Everything.
The petitioner shall attach to his petition a schedule and list of all his property, exempt and unexempt, and a schedule and list of all his creditors and amount and nature of debts due each, and shall offer to surrender all his unexempt property for the payment of his debts and shall conclude with a prayer for a full discharge from his debts and liabilities. If the Court upholds the petition, the estate of the bankrupt is transferred to an assignee for settlement. Preferences four months prior to the filing of the bankruptcy petition are null and void and transfers of property within six months are void.

After the settlement the Court gives a final hearing, and when all proceedings have been regular, a final decree is given, "discharging and acquitting the bankrupt from all his debts and liabilities due any of the creditors described in the schedule. Such discharge, however, shall not include any debts or obligations which shall have been created in consequence of his default as a public officer or as an executor, administrator, guardian or trustee, or while acting in any other fiduciary capacity."

As to Involuntary Bankruptcy.
The provision as to involuntary bankruptcy is as follows: "That if any debtor being a banker, broker, merchant, trader or manufacturer who owes \$500 or more, and who is unable to pay his debts, shall at any time within four months of the time of the filing of the petition hereinafter mentioned, assign, transfer, convey, or in any manner voluntarily encumber any of his property with the actual intent and purpose on his part to prefer or defraud any of his creditors, he shall be deemed a bankrupt, and may be proceeded against in a court of bankruptcy." The accused may demand a jury. On the hearing the Court or jury holds whether the accused is or is not a bankrupt. The other proceedings are as in the case of voluntary bankruptcy.

FOUR SPRING-TIME WEDDINGS.

The Nuptials of Dr. Robey and Miss Alexander Impressively Celebrated.

LARGE HOME RECEPTION.

Dr. Sinclair Tousey and Miss Julia Gerding Wed at Atlanta, Ga.

The wedding of Miss Isabelle Torrey Alexander and Dr. William Henry Robey took place yesterday afternoon at the Central Presbyterian Church. Rev. Robert M. Summerville performed the ceremony at 4 o'clock, and was assisted by Rev. William Merle Smith, the pastor of the church. The bride, who entered with her father, Andrew Alexander, has just taken the university prize scholarship of the Woman's Law School. She wore a handsome white satin gown, with point lace draperies on skirt and waist, and tulle veil. Her bouquet was composed of white sweet peas.

Miss Mamie O'Neill, the maid of honor, was attired in pink grenadine over taffeta. Miss Ella H. Fuller and Miss Anna Sauer were the bridesmaids. They were in white grenadine over rose silk, and carried pink sweet peas. In their white clip hats with feathers they wore the turquoise and pearl hat pins presented by the bride. Ralph Kirkpatrick was the page. J. Howard Leeman, of Boston, acted as best man, and the Messrs. David H. Miller, A. Alexander Kirkpatrick, E. A. Studley, Jr., Walter Humphries, Dr. Frederic Spalding and Dr. H. Sears were the ushers. Afterward there was a reception at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Alexander, No. 14 West Forty-seventh street, for relatives and intimate friends only. An elaborate collation was served by Sherry.

Tousey-Gerding.
The wedding of Dr. Sinclair Tousey, of No. 29 West Thirty-eighth street, this city, and Miss Julia Gerding was celebrated yesterday at Atlanta, Ga. The bride is a daughter of the late Julius von Gerding, and the ceremony was performed at the family residence by Rev. Dr. Warren Chandler, of Emory College.

The big rooms were trimmed with a profusion of flowers, and the bride was arrayed in white satin with duchesse lace, orange blossoms and diamond ornaments. She was attended by her sister, Miss Elsie Gerding, as maid of honor, and her bridesmaids were Miss Kate Duran and Miss Bessie Tousey. Samuel Carson Pirie, of Brooklyn, attended the bridegroom as best man, and the Messrs. William Gerding and Percy Brooks, of Atlanta, Ga., were the ushers. Dr. and Mrs. Sinclair Tousey, nee Gerding, will pass their honeymoon at the estate of a relative in Florida. On their return to New York they will reside at No. 131 West Seventy-second street.

Henriques-Green.
At the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Granville Green, No. 2074 Madison ave-



Miss Julia Gerding, Now Mrs. Dr. Sinclair Tousey.

ue, Miss Grace Edna Green was married to Julian Nunes Henriques last night. The bride was radiant in white satin, with a large diamond sunburst, presented by the bridegroom, was worn on the corsage, and a diamond coronet and sprays of natural orange blossoms secured the point applique lace veil.

Miss Beulah Marian Green, who was her sister's maid of honor, was in white organdy over taffeta, and carried sweet peas and mignonette. Miss Addie N. La Fosse and Miss Lillian M. Morgan, the bridesmaids, were attired in white organdy over pale green silk, and carried big bunches of jack-roses. Edward A. Van Zant was the best man, and Dr. Frank S. Fielder and Edward Barlow Weed were the ushers.

Richardson-Darling.
At 8:30 o'clock last evening, Miss Gladys Darling was married to William Milner Richardson at the residence of her mother, Mrs. Albert Darling, No. 247 West Ninety-ninth street. The drawing-rooms were profusely decorated with pink flowers for the occasion. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Charles Treat, of St. Stephen's Church. The bride was gowned in white satin, trimmed with point lace. Her tulle veil was adorned with white tips and held by a diamond sunburst. Her bouquet was of white roses and lilies of the valley. Miss Elizabeth Woodworth, of Newark, was the maid of honor. She was becomingly dressed in pink and white organdy over silk, and trimmed with lace and ribbons. Frederic Garretson was the best man, and the ushers were Frederic LeComte and William Lewis.

"GOLD BRICKS" FOR READY CASH.

Garnier Says He Advanced \$2,000 on Some to Jose Gomaz.

GOT FIVE LITTLE BARS.

Then the Man with the Cash Went Away and Garnier Went to an Assayer.

An excited Frenchman named Garnier raved like a madman in the office of the United States Assayer yesterday when informed by Weigher Graham that his five little gold bricks possessed none of the ingredients of the precious yellow metal. "I find copper and tin and zinc, but no gold," was the information given by the Assayer to the unhappy Frenchman.

Garnier tells this story: While a guest at the Hotel de Paris, at No. 75 Christopher street, he purchased the bricks from Jose Gomaz, a Spaniard, for \$2,000. He met Gomaz at the hotel shortly after his arrival from France last November. One day the latter said he was pressed for ready coin and asked Garnier to advance him a sum of money on some gold which he had in bars. He exhibited five of the bars, according to the story of Garnier, and declared that they were exceptionally valuable, and he had no wish to part with them, but was compelled to do so, because of a sudden and unexpected financial pressure. The bars were three inches wide, five inches long and about three-eighths of an inch in thickness.

"I am a jeweler by trade, and to prove to me that the gold was as he represented it to be he filed off a corner of the bar and gave it to me to be tested. The gold dust was placed in a crucible, and together we went to the office of John Walters & Sons, No. 12 Dutch street, where an assay was made. The filings were found to be twenty-one carat gold, and the assayer allowed me \$2."

Garnier finally decided to return to his home in France, and on Wednesday last visited the store of E. P. Reichheim & Co., No. 80 Nassau street, to purchase jeweller's supplies. While making his purchases he showed the bars to Albert S. Roman, the bookkeeper, saying that as he was about to return home he would like to realize on them. Roman went with him to the United States Assay office, where an assay of the bars was made, and Garnier learned for the first time that he had been swindled.

He only speaks French, and it was difficult to make him believe that he had been the victim of the gold brick game. When the full significance of the swindle dawned upon him he almost had a convulsion.

A Louvet, proprietor of the Hotel de Paris, said last night that he did not remember Garnier staying at his house, but knew Gomaz very well.

Mr. Gomaz is a fine gentleman, and has a truly in Spain," he said. "He has lived at this hotel for over a year, and always conducted himself with dignity and decorum."

Asked as to the present whereabouts of Gomaz, the Louvet said that he had not seen him for several months, but thought he was in some hospital in the city. Garnier has appealed to the French consul.

HICCOUGHS MAY NOW PROVE FATAL.

Miss Trautmann, of Elizabeth, a Second Time Seized with the Spasm.

WILLIAM BOND'S LIKE CASE

Long Island Man Kept Alive Only by the Use of Morphine Injections.

Miss Nettie Trautmann, of Division street, Elizabeth, N. J., is again at death's door from an attack of hiccoughs.

She is a pretty eighteen-year-old girl, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Trautmann. A year ago last month she was first stricken with her affliction, and for three months there was no cessation of the spasms. Every known remedy was tried, and finally Dr. Whitehead, of Elizabeth, secured a Faradic battery of high power, and the continued use of electricity caused them to in a measure cease. Miss Trautmann then went to Washington, D. C., for a change of air, and she there fully recovered. Her return home caused the spasms to occasionally return, but not until recently have they become severe. Now she is in as bad a condition as a year ago, and all hopes of her recovery have been given up. She is very weak from the continued strain on her nervous system. Last year a hypnotist of New York worked over her, but she would not yield to that influence.

The young lady has now become very despondent and refuses to take medicine. Her appetite is good, the only thing which is in her favor, in her fight for life. Unless something is done at once for the sufferer she will die. Last year she received over 20,000 letters giving cures for hiccoughs, but none of them availed. Miss Trautmann has five hundred of these letters yet, all from well known people from all parts of the globe. Her case was commented on then in every paper in the world almost, and medical men everywhere endeavored to aid her. The Trautmanns are well known citizens of Elizabeth.

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and Miss Nettie is very popular in society circles.

William Bond's Affliction.
William Bond, the popular boarding house keeper of Cedar Swamp, L. I., who, as told in the Journal about two months ago, nearly lost his life through incessant fits of hiccoughing, which reduced him to flesh from a large, strong man to a mere skeleton, and who finally was relieved through morphine injections, was again seized with hiccoughing about a week ago, the attacks lasting from one to two days, during which his body is racked with violent paroxysms, and nothing seems to relieve him. After having completely exhausted his strength the hiccoughing stops, only to commence again in about twenty-four hours. Bond and his family are about discouraged, but the doctors are repeating the morphine injections with hopes of a cure. What causes this strange malady is as yet unknown, and on this account the doctors are handicapped.

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